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The Daily Press.
HONGKONG, DECEMBER 15TH, 1905.

WHILE the public will cordially approve the motive which has prompted Sir PAUL CHATER after nineteen years' service to retire from the representation of the Justices of the Peace on the Legislative Council—that is to say, the desire not to monopolise a position which many other prominent men in the Colony are well qualified to occupy—there will nevertheless be a widespread feeling of regret if the step Sir PAUL CHATER has taken involves his total separation from the governing body of the Colony. Sir PAUL CHATER has lived in the Colony upwards of forty years and everybody is well aware how intimately and how conspicuously he has been identified with the history and progress of the Colony which we are proud to know is now "the first shipping port in the world." It has been suggested that notwithstanding his retirement from the representation of the Justices, it would be a gracious recognition of the value of Sir PAUL CHATER's services to the Colony if His Excellency the GOVERNOR still retained him as a member of his Executive Council. We believe there is no precedent in the Colony for the retention in the Executive Council of an unofficial member who has ceased to sit as a representative member in the Legislative Council. To such a departure from custom, however, we believe there is no official bar; at least,

there is, so far as we are aware, no hard-and-fast rule that the two unofficial seats on the Executive Council must be occupied by members of the Legislative Council. It may be remembered that unofficial members were first appointed to the Executive Council about ten years ago as the result of a Petition addressed to the House of Commons praying for the amendment of the Constitution of the Colony. Inasmuch as the Colonial Government discharges municipal duties it was recognised by the Rt. Hon. JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN, then the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that "on that account representatives of the citizens may fairly be given a place on the Executive." The Colonial Secretary went on to say:—

I therefore propose that the Executive Council shall in future include two unofficial members to be selected at the discretion of the Governor. It is obviously desirable that they should, as a rule, be chosen from among the unofficial members of the Legislative Council, and the choice should, and no doubt will be inspired by considerations of personal merit, and have no reference to the particular class or race to which the persons chosen belong.

We may conclude from this extract that the unofficial seats in the Executive Council need not necessarily be occupied by unofficial members of the Legislative Council. In framing the proposal as he did it is not improbable that the object Mr. CHAMBERLAIN had in view was to limit to some extent the exercise of a personal preference on the part of the Governor of the Colony for the time being, and to insure that the gentlemen chosen to occupy those seats should enjoy such a measure of confidence on the part of the community as is expressed in an election to the Legislative Council either by the Justices of the Peace or the Chamber of Commerce. If such were the considerations which dictated Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's proposal, there are sound reasons for creating an exception to the rule of selection in the case of Sir PAUL CHATER. We have not the least doubt that had Sir PAUL seen fit to offer himself for re-election by the Justices he would be returned to the Legislative Council with the same unanimity that has characterised his election on previous occasions; and if moreover the choice of a member of the Executive Council be inspired by considerations of personal merit, no man in the Colony is better entitled to a seat on that than Sir PAUL CHATER.

In saying this we are sure we are giving expression to an opinion which will be universally endorsed in the Colony. We have written on the assumption that Sir PAUL CHATER's retirement from the representation of the Justices would be regarded both by His Excellency the GOVERNOR and by Sir PAUL CHATER himself as involving his retirement from the Executive Council, since the one appointment naturally led to the other. But if Sir PAUL is willing to serve the Colony as an unofficial member of the Executive Council, His Excellency the GOVERNOR may rest assured that no appointment could give greater satisfaction to the community; for while it would be appreciated as well-deserved recognition of long and valuable public service, the community would have the advantage of representation in the Executive Council by one of its oldest and most widely esteemed residents and one moreover whose extensive interests are intimately identified with the past, present and future prosperity of the colony.

New volunteers are Messrs. C. H. Ross and E. Watkins. Gunners E. P. Austen and S. Smith have resigned.

A typhoon warning from the Manila Observatory, dated 10 o'clock yesterday morning, reached the American Consulate. It said: Depression yesterday S. W. of Guam probably moving W.

As the General Officer Commanding the Troops requires the services of the Band on Saturday we are requested to announce that there will be no Band performance at the Hongkong Hotel that evening.

We have received the 21st annual report of the Royal Jamaica Society of Agriculture and Commerce, and Merchants' Exchange, Kingston, Jamaica. It says the island is slowly but surely emerging from the financial depression that followed in the wake of the havoc caused by the cyclone.

The most suitable desk diary for use here and in the China ports is undoubtedly the Imperial English and Chinese Diary and Almanac published by Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Ltd. There are many firms which now regard the "No. 1" edition as much indispensable as the office safe or the letter-press. All kinds of necessary information appear in the Hongkong supplement, much that the business man requires daily, and that is not often so easily accessible. The diary is an eminently practical one, and this is its 20th year of publication.

A school for training postal clerks and officials is to be opened at Peking.

A very enjoyable ball took place at Government House last night when about 100 ladies and gentlemen responded to the invitation of His Excellency.

H. E. Chou Fu has been ordered to avoid any action "likely to provoke criticism." This is surely expecting the impossible, especially under the censor system.

The P. and O. steamer, *Delta*, with the English mail arrived last night. She was not expected till to-day at noon. The vessel is one of the new large steamers that are being put on the run.

Mr. A. Gaibert, the French Vice-Consul at Hongkong, has been appointed consul at Peking. His friends will be pleased to learn of his promotion and we join with them in wishing him a prosperous career.

The Soochow Anti-Opium League is circulating at considerable expense a reprint of the report of the Philippine Opium Commission, together with an American Senator's opinion that the "career of the Rev. H. C. Du Bois is worthy of his noble ancestry." Is it that both democracy and good works "dearly love a lord"?

The Singapore Police have started a crusade against all rishas with gongs or bells of any description, their use on such vehicles having been prohibited by a recent Municipal law. Inspector Kirke had five Chinese, owners of private rishas, before the Court for breach of this regulation. The defendants all pleaded ignorance of the law and were cautioned to bring it no longer.

The Zorilla Company expect to return to Hongkong from Shanghai next week and open for another short season at St. George's Hall. The Company announces their intention of presenting during the Christmas week musical comedy, farce, pantomime and variety. At Shanghai the Company appear to have had a very successful season. They expect to open again in Hongkong on the 10th inst.

The *Penang Gazette* says:—Several changes in the personnel of the Chartered Bank will, we are informed, take place early next year. Mr. E. M. Junion, at present Acting Manager in Penang, will proceed to Singapore to replace Mr. J. Armstrong, who goes to Hongkong. He will be succeeded here by Mr. Gilmore, who is at present Home on leave and was formerly Manager at Shanghai. Mr. Biddle, of the local branch of the Bank, goes to Surabaya as Agent.

In its Marine Insurance notes on Nov. 5 the *Times* said: The British steamer *Dumbarton* from San Francisco, with provisions, stores, &c., for Nicolaievsk, has gone ashore 26 miles north of De Castries, near the mouth of the Amur river. As navigation in the Amur is closed by ice, salvage cannot be arranged. The *Dumbarton* is 3,400 tons, built in 1903 and insured for £34,000. She is owned by Mr. McMillan of Glasgow. Stores have been rapidly pushed forward for Nicolaievsk, as well as for Vladivostok, since the ratification of the Peace Treaty, and it is understood that the *Dumbarton* has a large and valuable cargo.

A former member of the British Diplomatic Service, speaking of the effect of the Anglo-Japanese treaty, observed to a *Manchester Guardian* representative:—The first point that occurs to me is that the allies will, in popular phrase, have their work cut out for them to keep the Wu Wu and the Chinese authorities generally in order and reason. The integrity of the country is now safe, and so the Manchu princes, the Ministers, and the great mandarins all over the country will think themselves safe in indulging their natural bumptiousness and insolence towards the foreign representatives. There is sure to be a deal of trouble of a diplomatic kind by reason of the Chinese refusal of perfectly reasonable demands.

It is a great pleasure to all residents in the treaty ports in China, and in Hongkong, says the *N.Y. Daily News*, to read the list of those present at the annual banquet in London of the China Association. To the new comer it is mainly a source of wonder; here he finds names of few who are possibly familiar to him—he has seen them attached to the new roads that are being opened in all directions, or he has heard of them in connection with some story of the past told by a garrulous old-timer. To the old resident they bring back a flood of memories of the "good old times," and he wishes he too had been there to shake hands and recall old comradeship with stalwart friends of the past, many of whom he doubts if he shall ever see again.

Sandow is admittedly a strong man, but finance is evidently not a strong point with him. From a statement published in the *Financial Times*, it appears that under the Sandow (Limited) articles of association holders of less than £1,000 nominal capital are compelled to sell their shares to the directors at a "fair value" on demand. This extraordinary power is now being put in force against the smaller shareholders, and Friday, November 3, was fixed as the date on which the sale should be carried into effect. On the whole, however, we think, says a London journal, the victims of this compulsory purchase arrangement are to be congratulated on the prospect of being relieved of their holdings at a "fair value," for we notice that the company made a loss of £4,040 in the twelve months to September 30 last, and there is now a total debit balance of £7,018.

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Further investigation at Laichikow where the decomposed body of a man was found this week has discovered a queue, which now indicates to what nationality the man belonged. The post mortem examination brought to light the fact that he had been stabbed in the heart.

The following arrived in post per the H. T. *Panera* yesterday:—Lieut. C. B. Down, Lt. P. O'Sullivan, wife and two children, Major H. Broke, Major E. McI. Blair, Mr. A. S. Carruthers, Lieut. O. Y. Hibbert, Lieut. W. G. Yates, Captain Shinkwin, Captain B. L. Boddy, Lieut. T. Rooks, wife and child, Colonel E. H. Seymour, Captain T. C. Morris, wife and child, Major J. E. Brogden, Major T. P. Jones, wife and child, Lt. A. T. Frost, Lt. C. Ryde and wife, Lt. A. N. Fraser, Captain G. Meenal, Mr. F. Stears, Miss N. North, Captain E. Mc. Seddon, Miss Harson, Mr. J. S. Addenbrooke, wife and child, Lt. D. S. Shelton, Captain F. S. Butcher, Second Lieut. R. Bolster, Mr. J. T. Rea and Mr. F. C. D. Keats.

FOOCHOW RACES.

Further results are appended: The Winter Stakes, Mr. Thomas' Backstrap, Big Sweep Cup, Mr. Min's Adrian, The Hawken Cup, Mr. Min's Balsam, The Hongkong Cup, Mr. Oswald's Cross-in-hand, The Chinese Cup, Adrian, The Compradores' Cup, Mr. Min's Copiba, The Foochow Stakes, Mr. Thomas' Rustic.

THE FLOWER SHOW.

In consequence of the visit of Prince Arthur of Connaught, it has been decided to make an alteration in the date of the Flower Show.

It will be held on the 1st and 2nd of February, instead of on the 8th and 9th as originally proposed.

PROPOSED CIVIL SERVICE CO-
OPERATIVE STORE.

A large attended meeting of those engaged in the Civil Service of the Colony was held at the Club Pavilion, Happy Valley, yesterday evening, for the purpose of considering the advisability of establishing a Civil Service Cooperative Store. Dr. Clark presided and in his opening remarks stated that H. E. the Governor approved of the proposed scheme provided that all in the service of the Government, such as the military and the naval, were included in its purview. Several members explained how such organisations were conducted elsewhere and, after discussion, a committee was appointed to make inquiries as to whether the scheme would be practicable in Hongkong and whether it was likely to receive adequate support. The committee which was given full powers was constituted as follows: Dr. Clark (chairman), Mr. Lewington, naval yard; Chief Inspector Baker; Mr. Barrington, P.W.D.; Chief Inspector Hanmer; Mr. Woolcock, secretary of Sanitary Board; Messrs. D. J. McKenzie, Conley and Lyons, sanitary inspectors; and Mr. Lawrence, inspector naval yard police.

A LARGE MILITARY DRAFT.

From the General Orders issued by Major General Villiers Hutton, C.B., we learn that the draft which landed here on Wednesday from the troopship *Duera* included the following details:—

From England: Royal Garrison Artillery.—Lieutenant C. B. Down, Lieut. (D. O.) P. O. Sullivan, wife, and 2 children, 278 N.C.O.'s and men, 10 women, 19 children.

Royal Engineers:—Major H. Broke, Major E. McI. Blair (for Tientsin), 76 N. C. O.'s and men, 4 women, 4 children.

Staff for Engineering services:—Asst. Surveyor A. S. Carruthers.

2nd Royal West Kent Regiment:—Lieutenant W. G. Yates, 105 N.C.O.'s and men, 1 woman, 1 child.

Army Service Corps:—Captains I. R. Shinkwin, B. L. Boddy, (for Wei-hai-wei), Lieut. and Qr. Master T. Rooks, wife, and child, One warrant officer, 6 N.C.O.'s and men, 3 women, 5 children.

Army Ordnance Department:—Lieutenant-Colonel E. H. Seymour, Capt. (D.C.O.) T. C. Morris, wife and child.

Army Ordnance Corps:—10 N.C.O.'s and men, 1 woman, 2 children.

Royal Army Medical Corps:—Major J. E. Brogden, (for Wei-hai-wei), T. P. Jones, wife, and child, Lieutenants A. T. Frost, C. Ryde and wife, A. N. Fraser, (for Wei-hai-wei), 13 N.C.O.'s and men, 4 women, 5 children.

Army Pay Department:—Capt. G. Monreal, Army Pay Corps:—2 N.C.O.'s, 1 woman, 2 children.

2nd Royal Dublin Fusiliers:—1 N.G.C. (for Wei-hai-wei).

Military Prison Staff Corps:—3 N.C.O.'s, 2 women, 6 children.

Royal Navy:—Chief Carpenter, Mr. F. Stears.

From Gibraltar:—Royal Engineers, 4 men, 1 woman, 10 indulges.

From Malta:—Royal Garrison Artillery.

Captain E. Mc. Seddon; 2nd Royal West Kent Regt., 73 N.C.O.'s and men; Educational Dept., Schoolmistress Hoison.

From Colombo:—Royal Garrison Artillery, 10 N.C.O.'s and men; Staff for Engineer Services, Surveyor J. S. Addenbrooke, wife and child (indulgence); Royal Army Medical Corps, Lieutenant D. S. Shelton, (indulgence).

From Singapore: Royal Garrison Artillery, Captain F. S. Butcher, Second-Lieutenant E. Bolster (indulgence); 2 N.C.O.'s and men (indulgence); Staff for engineer services, Asst. Surveyor J. T. Rea, T. C. D. Keats (indulgence); Royal Army Medical Corps, 1 man.

Peking, 9th December.

The Chinese Minister to the U.S., Germany, and Russia have wired to Peking that their Powers are paying the utmost attention to the Manchuria negotiations, and if necessary they will take them offering a good opportunity to interfere. The Ministers therefore hope that China will not allow Japan to secure too many advantages, lest other Powers should interfere.

At the 13th conference, on the 8th inst., not much progress was made, but at the 14th conference on the 9th, the Japanese proposals and supplementary proposals, and the Chinese counter-proposals, were discussed, and settled as to four-fifths of them. There are three points still undecided, but it is expected that the negotiations will be concluded, and Baron Komura and suite be able to leave Peking, within a week.

JAPANESE PROTECTORATE OF COREA.

Peking, 10th December.

The Chinese Minister at Seoul was received in audience at Peking on the 8th, and reported that the new Japanese-Corea agreement was signed, and the Foreign Legations were withdrawn from Seoul; it was advisable to have a Consul-General instead of a Minister at Seoul, all negotiations between China and Corea being conducted at Tokyo. Their Majesties agreed to the change which will be carried out.

THE PONTIFICATE OF TIBET.

Peking, 9th December.

The Chinese Ambassador to the Peking Government that Mr. O'Conor, the British Resident at Gyantze, will go with the Tashi Lama to welcome the Prince of Wales on his travels, with intention of getting the Tashi Lama appointed Dalai Lama.

THE CHINESE WIFE.

THE BETTER HALF AND THE SUBMERGED TENTH.

On Dec. 5 Captain D'Arcy Symonds, A. S. P. and Inspector Kirk, of the Singapore Police, acting on information received, went to a house and there in an upper back room, found a Chinaman

CORRESPONDENCE.

"JAPANESE TYPES"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Sir.—As I have not hitherto trespassed upon your columns, perhaps you will kindly allow me the privilege of my sex in saying what I hope may be a few *last* as well as *first* words in reply to a letter from "Your Reviewer" of "Japanese Types" in your issue of December 5th.

It is from no desire of obtruding my personality upon your readers, nor to advertise the book, that I make this request, but simply because "Your Reviewer's" letter, called forth by mine to you, affords a striking instance of how completely a writer's motives may be misconstrued even when they were supposed to have been clearly expressed.

My private letter to you, to which "Your Reviewer" published letter is a reply, must surely have proved that I accepted on behalf of Miss Schwabe, his adverse criticism on her defective drawing, as being both just and merited, for what language could I have used plainer than the following?—"I am well aware that to appear before the public in my capacity, whether as actor, author, artist, or what not, is to draw criticism on one's self, and therefore no one should object to the criticism, if it be a just one, no matter how severe—indeed a little wholesome castigation is often more beneficial than praise; and no one knows her own deficiencies better than Miss Schwabe, especially in anatomical drawing; she is only too well aware that the *hand and feet* of her subjects are her weak points." I need not quote more of my letter to prove, that, as Miss Schwabe's collaborator, I accepted without demur "Your Reviewer's" criticism on her defective points of drawing, and therefore I fail to see how I could have drawn upon myself the lecture with which he has favoured me, upon the doability of absolute submission to wholesome criticism.

My chief object, however, in writing the "long letter" which was handed to "Your Reviewer" for reply, was to exonerate Miss Schwabe from the imputation he cast upon her honesty by penning the following remarks in his review—(*The italics are mine.*)

"At first one is disposed to marvel at the strange difference between the artist's eye and hand, until it dawns upon us that for the happy characterisation and scrupulous detail, the artist has been assisted by the camera. Indeed we seem to remember that some of the studies are well-known photographs, in which we presume that nearly all have been copied from photographs."

Much of my letter to you was taken up in proving from my own personal knowledge that Miss Schwabe is no copier of photographs, by giving as many details of her artistic antecedents as were necessary to confirm my statements. And although she by no means intended to pose as a finished artist, those who know her are aware that the above allegations and assumptions not only do her the greatest injustice, but that she would be deeply hurt at the bare imputation of having attempted to come before the public under false pretences.

Therefore all I asked was that I trusted you would do both her and Messrs. Kelly and Walsh the justice to remove the bad impression which such allegations must have made upon probable purchasers of the book, as they are calculated not only to injure Miss Schwabe's reputation, but to cause undeserved pecuniary loss to Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, who are financially interested in the success of the book; for who would purchase a copy after having been told that the sketches presumed to be original, were only replicas of familiar photographs?

As I pointed out in my letter, we found great difficulty when selecting 30 types of every-day Japanese life, to avoid treading, to a certain extent, upon ground done to death by photography, and with all our efforts to do so, we found it almost impossible, in certain cases.

A short paragraph setting this matter right in a few words, was all that I asked or expected, and would have obviated the necessity for this correspondence.

In conclusion I wish to say that although "Your Reviewer" may be quite right in his last "assumption" viz: that he fears from her letter, Mrs. Patton is not qualified to give her friend the best advice on making pictures—I certainly was the only one to conceive the idea, and assist, to the best of my literary ability, in the production of "Japanese Types," from which I hoped sufficient pecuniary success might be realized to enable Miss Schwabe to prosecute under proper artistic guidance the further development of the gift which nature has obviously bestowed upon her. A result, however, that would never have been attained wherever the Hongkong Daily Press circulates, had "Your Reviewer's" assumption that she was a mere "copier of photographs" been allowed to remain uncontradicted.

Thanking you in advance, should you insert this letter, and trusting that with its insertion, the subject may be closed,

I am, yours etc.
EMILY S. PATTON.
Shanghai December 11th.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, are introducing to Hongkong a whiskey new to the Colony but a brand in great favour at Home just now. It is Munro's House of Lords Whiskey, the distiller being authorized purveyor by certificate to the House of Lords. We trust it is not derogatory to their dignity to say of the members of "the finest Club in the world" that they ought to be connoisseurs who, like the firm introducing the brand to the Colony, touch nothing but articles of the finest quality.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 14th December.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

APPLICATION FOR A RECEIVING ORDER.

Re Wong Cheung Kee ex parte Wing Fung Loung.

This was an application for a receiving order.

Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Brutton, Hett and Goldring) who applied, said there were six petitioners.Leave to effect substituted service had been obtained, and the service had been effected. Affidavits were on the file, one made by the bailiff and one by himself as to the insertion of the various notices in the newspapers. The petitioners were all judgment creditors. The aggregate of the judgment debts was \$2,144.77, and the taxed costs amounted to \$717.90. The notice had been served on the manager.

His Lordship—You cannot serve a bankruptcy notice, except on the bankrupt himself, without first getting leave.

Mr. Goldring—That refers to service out of the Colony. We are applying for a receiving order against the firm, not against an individual.

His Lordship—There is no such thing as the bankruptcy of a firm; the bankruptcy is the individual members of the firm. There is a recent case in which that is laid down.

Mr. Goldring referred his Lordship to section 6 subsection 2.

His Lordship—I daresay that the procedure goes on against the firm, but what it is in fact is a bankruptcy of individuals. According to the rules the service of a petition may be assimilated to the service of the writ because it is the initial document in the proceedings. The service of a bankruptcy notice is a very different thing, because the service of the notice does not initiate proceedings.

Mr. Goldring—We have a special provision in the Code which brings in a firm as an individual.

His Lordship—Well, I cannot go beyond that case, which is a House of Lords case. I can't remember the name of it now, but you can look it up in the Court of Appeal, 2 Q.B. re A. B. & Co. Meantime, the matter can stand over.

Later, Mr. Goldring informed his Lordship that he had found the case. It was Cook, appellant, and C.A. Vogeler & Co., respondents.

His Lordship—The giving of your bankruptcy notice is the act of bankruptcy, but the service must be on the members of the firm.

Mr. Goldring—May I again refer your Lordship to bankruptcy ordinance 6, Sub-section I.

His Lordship—The whole point in this case is whether the act of bankruptcy can be committed by an agent or somebody else other than a partner of the firm.

Mr. Goldring—Well, my Lord, there is a provision in our Code.

His Lordship—Well, I must consider it. Is there nothing analogous to it in the Bankruptcy Ordinance?

Mr. Goldring—Apparently not, my Lord. I don't know anything.

His Lordship—Very well. The application stands adjourned until Thursday next.

ANOTHER RECEIVING ORDER WANTED.

Re Shum Wu San ex parte Chow Wing.

Mr. F. P. d'Almada e Castro, who appeared for the petitioning creditor, said the service of the petition had been proved by affidavit.

His Lordship—In ordinary cases of actions against a firm, you don't want leave to serve personally other than the person in control.

Mr. Almada stated that the bankrupt firm gave notice of suspension of payment. Their debt to the petitioning creditor was \$500, while the assets of the firm, so far as his client could make out, as mentioned in the declaration, were \$5,500, the greater portion of which was recoverable. The liabilities of the firm amount to \$4,500.

His Lordship—It is hardly a case for bankruptcy.

Mr. Almada—Some of the debts may not be recoverable my Lord.

His Lordship—Why have you not brought an action to recover your \$500?

Mr. Almada—The man gave notice that he was suspending payment of his debts.

His Lordship—That certainly puts you within the bankruptcy law, but you show that the greater portion of the \$5,500 is recoverable, and that the debtor's liabilities are only \$4,500.

Mr. Almada—There is \$1,100 in Canton, which may not be recoverable.

His Lordship—You say it is in your affidavit.

Mr. Almada—I say I verily believe it is.

His Lordship—Do I understand you to say there was security for his appearance.

Mr. Almada—The debtor is here to speak for himself.

Li Yuk Sau, sworn, said he was one of the partners of the Shun Wa San firm. The liabilities of the firm were about \$5,000, while the assets were a little over \$6,000, about \$1,000 of which was recoverable. He could not collect the money owing in Canton, but thought the Official Receiver could recover it.

His Lordship—Even then, there is only \$1,100 in Canton. Without that there is plenty to pay his debts.

Mr. Almada—if he sees those who are in his debt and recovers.

His Lordship—But don't people pay without being sued?

(To debtor)—Have you tried to collect this money?

Debtors—Yes. But I am put off from time to time.

His Lordship—There is one amount owing by the Nam Hing Cheong firm; is that recoverable?

Debtors—Yes.

His Lordship—Have you tried to recover it?

Debtors—Yes. But they put me off.

His Lordship—What standing has the Nam Hing Cheong?

Mr. Almada—I don't know, my Lord.

His Lordship—The next thing will be that they will go bankrupt, and there will be a string of bankrupties one after the other. I don't decline the petition, but it will stand over.

A.D. BROWN'S PETITION.

Chan San Shek and another ex parte the debtors.

Mr. Almada, who appeared for the petitioning creditor, said this was a debtor's petition. In the usual form of affidavit proof of the assets had been filed by the debtors themselves. The assets were \$40,500 and the liabilities \$74,000.

His Lordship—I think this is a case for a receiving order.

Mr. Almada—May I ask your Lordship for an order for the receiver to sell this stock before adjudication?

His Lordship—That is a matter for the Official Receiver to decide.

Mr. Almada—I understand the Official Receiver has no objection.

His Lordship—Very well. An order for the sale of the stock is granted.

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF COSTS.

Re Hau Fuk Cheung ex parte the Hong Yuen Bank.

Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Mr. Hastings' office) applied on behalf of the San Wing firm, under Section 33 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, for payment of the said firm's taxed costs.

His Lordship—What was the act of bankruptcy?

Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) who appeared for the petitioning creditor, said the act of bankruptcy alleged was the departure from the Colony of two of the partners of the firm. That departure was supposed to have occurred in the early part of October when a letter was written by the firm, addressed generally to the creditors, stating that the partners were leaving the Colony, and would leave their goods to be disposed of by the creditors.

Mr. Beavis—I daresay that the procedure was rather premature, as the firm had not yet been adjudicated bankrupt. We could not say at present whether the estate had sufficient funds to pay the costs.

His Lordship—I suppose the motion is that the costs should come in and be payable like other debts.

Mr. Dixon—I want the whole of the costs as a preferential payment. I believe it is a practice of the Court.

Mr. Beavis—It is dependant on the amount of assets, my Lord. I have given my friend notice that I could not go into this application to day.

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6 " " 3½
3 " " 3½

A. R. LINTON,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 26

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1860.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND 8,940,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
Tokyo Kobe Nagasaki
Osaka Lyons New York
London Honolulu Bombay
San Francisco Tianjin Newchwang
Shanghai Peking Mukden
Dalian Chefoo Tieling

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED
PAPE'S BANK, LIMITED.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed deposits for 12 months 5% per annum.

" " " 6 " 4½
" " " 3 " 3½

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1905. 27

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Returns may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed or FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.

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THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENTS.

DIREKTION DER DISCONTO-GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER,

Sub-Manager.

Hongkong 9th September, 1905. [32]

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THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £200,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS £200,000
RESERVE FUND £287,500

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2½ per centum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent

For 6 " " 3½
3 " " 3½

T. P. COUCHANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1905. 29

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Fiscal Agents of the United States in China

the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS

AUTHORISED Gold \$10,000,000

CAPITAL PAID UP Gold \$3,250,000

RESERVE FUND Gold \$3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE—New York.

BRANCHES: Threadneedle House, E.C.

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BRITISH LINEAR COMPANY BANK

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposit at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.

6 " " 3½
3 " " 3½

H. PIN'OKNEY,
Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong, 29th September, 1905. 2401

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 5,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPER, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy Kobe Tainan

Aiping Nagasaki Tamsui

Foochow Osaka Tokio

Keeling Shanghai Yokohama

HONGKONG OFFICE:

4, Queen's Road.

Interest allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received on terms which may be learnt on application.

S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [2478]

INSURANCES

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE

THE Undersigned, having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 181

L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

THE Undersigned having been appointed

AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against FIRE at current rates.

SIEMSSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 13

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st December, 1904.

£17,161,239.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £3,000,000

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,750,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL £67,500 0

II. FIRE FUNDS £3,001,263 12 9

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. [1567]

VLADIVOSTOCK DISTURBANCES

INTERVIEW WITH A SPECTATOR.

A representative of the *Japan Chronicle* has been fortunate in obtaining an interview with a gentleman lately returned from Vladivostock and who arrived at that place a few days before the outbreak. He says:

"The cause of the disturbances," he said, "is not far to seek. I was informed by a Russian that there had been great dissatisfaction amongst the blue-jackets and reservists since the conclusion of the war. The troops were kept on half rations—which order was first given at the time of the expected investment of the town—and the reservists were detained instead of being sent home. For some time past the commanding officer and others had received threatening letters, in which the men demanded full rations and that the reservists should be sent back to Europe. The men believed—probably not without reason—that, as the port was now open, and vessels were entering freely, their officers were cheating them out of their full rations, and pocketing the difference. They also demanded that proper accounts should be presented to show the necessity of the half-rations order being maintained. The soldiers only received 45 kopeks for two months. There is little doubt that had these men received their full pay and rations, these lamentable disturbances would never have occurred."

"In answer to these letters the commanding officer issued a proclamation on the 9th or 10th of November, stating that the men's demands had been wired to St. Petersburg, and that no change could be effected until he had received authority to do so. He advised the men to remain quiet, as he would use all means at his disposal to suppress disturbances. The soldiers, incited, it is said, by revolutionary agitators, replied that they would wait till Sunday for a more favourable report, and it was on that day that the trouble commenced."

"The Chinese and coolies were the first victims. During the war they had charged enormous prices for provisions of all kinds, and endeavoured to maintain these prices after peace had been proclaimed. As the men were on half-rations and half-pay, and had to pay high prices for every little luxury, it is not to be wondered at that they sought revenge on these dealers."

"While I sat at tiffin in the 'Golden Horn' a crowd of people went rushing by, and the general commotion showed that something unusual was going on. Even the waiters ran out of the restaurant to see what was the trouble. The Chinese and coolies were the first victims. During the war they had charged enormous prices for provisions of all kinds, and endeavoured to maintain these prices after peace had been proclaimed. As the men were on half-rations and half-pay, and had to pay high prices for every little luxury, it is not to be wondered at that they sought revenge on these dealers. They didn't shoot in the air."

"When everything down at the harbour was destroyed, the crowd moved into the main street. Here I saw a large shop window smashed by a stone. We considered it prudent to withdraw from the scene, as stones were flying in all directions. One struck an officer on the cheek, and from the wound the blood flowed down on to his cloak. The injured man walked along without taking any heed, although he

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
CARL MENZEL, German str., 984 G. Command, 13th Dec.—Chefoo 3rd Dec., Ballast.

—East Asiatic Trading Co.
DELA, British str., 14th Dec.—Singapore 10th Dec., Manila and General—P. & O. Co.

HAIMUN, British steamer, 636, Robson, 14th December.—Swatow 13th Dec., General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, Wilde, 14th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec. and Swatow 13th General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HANOI, French str., 700, Marles, 13th Dec.—Haiphong 11th Dec. and Hoioien 12th General—A. R. Mart.

JANMAILA, British str., 3,831, A. E. Stebbing, 14th Dec.—Yokohama via Kobe and Moji 30th Nov. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KAMPOU, French str., 4,212, Le Bail, 14th Dec.—Kuang-chow-wan 13th Dec., General—Chinese.

KWANGHUA, Chinese str., 14th Dec., from Canton.

SHAOSHENG, British str., 14th December, from Canton.

SIMIA, British str., 3,825, C. D. Goldsmith, 14th Dec.—Singapore 12th Dec., Malls and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

STETTIN, British str., 1,294, J. E. Farrel, 13th Dec.—Mactan 13th December, Karosene—Geo. McLean.

TALISMAN, Norwegian str., 1,178, S. Pettersen, 14th Dec.—Java via Pulo Land 1st Dec. General—Chinese.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

14th December.

Dewent, British str., for Saigon.

Hainan, British str., for Swatow.

Lokken, British str., for Canton.

Paterno, British str., for Bangkok.

Wathorn, British str., for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

13th December.

AMBRIA, German str., for Yokohama.

PRINCIPESSES, British strpt., for Weihaiwei.

14th December.

CAPRI, Italian str., for Boubyan.

FOOSHING, British str., for Wuhu.

HAIKHUNG, British str., for Swatow.

HAIKOU, French str., for Paksha.

PROGRESS, German str., for Shanghai.

STENTOR, British str., for Canton.

TELEMACHUS, British str., for Saigon.

TUFGUS, Norwegian str., for Tainan.

VICTORIA, Chinese str., for Chefoo.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str., Hongkong reports: Strong N.E. monsoon and high sea.

The British str., Hainan reports: Fresh N.E. monsoon and dull weather.

The British str., Iquique reports: Strong N.E. wind and moderate sea.

The British str., Stettin reports: Fresh N.E. gale with high sea and hazy weather.

The German str., Carl Menzel reports: From fuddles to Hongkong strong N.E. monsoon, high sea and fine weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

14th December.

LOWLOO, DOCKS.—H.M.S. Hardy, "Eva," H.M.S. Virago, H.M.S. Whiting, Germany, Paul Bear, Kwoongchow, Hilary, Laisang, Bangkok.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Laertes, Hawk, H.M.S. Alacrity.

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"LOTHIAN" 14th Dec.

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Hongkong, November 1905. 2105-2135 BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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TO-DAY, the 15th inst., at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. 2783



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINA"

Captain Tomonovitch, will leave for the above

places on FRIDAY, the 22nd inst., at NOON.

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SANDELL, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Princes' Building.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1905. [3]

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [2730]

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION VESSEL'S NAMES FLAG & RIG BERTH CAPTAIN FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO TO BE DESPATCHED

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PALERMO	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, P.M.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	SIMIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. D. Goldsmith, E.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HECTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	STENTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th Jan.
SAINTE BEDE	BRIT. str.	1 m.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Feb.
GUINEA	—	—	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Feb.
—	HENDERSON	—	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
—	GROSH	—	—	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 23rd inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	H. BREHMER	—	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 29th inst. at Noon.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	WUNNENBERG	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	—	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LOTHIAN	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	INDIANA	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Feb.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	COULSDON	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th inst., P.M.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	NUBIA	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	HUBRON	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	—	2 m.	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 20th inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ATHENIAN	—	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LYRA	—	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TELEMACHUS	—	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 27th inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	MINNESOTA	—	—	—	JEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 21st inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ARAGONIA	—	—	—	ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.	About 2nd Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DAKOTAH	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 11th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AUSTRALIAN	—	—	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 15th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	CHANGSHA	—	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 10th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PRINZ WALDEMAR	—	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YOKOHAMA & KOBE	—	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 21st inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	CHINGTU	—	—	—	JEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 19th inst.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SHAOHSING	—	—	—	TELEGRAPHIC CO.	On 19th inst., at Daylight.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SHANGHAI	—	—	—	—	On 16th Jan.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	WUHUA	—	—	—	—	On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TAIWAN	—	—	—	—	On 27th inst.,
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	FOOCHOW (DIRECT)	—	—	—	—	On 9th Jan., at Noon.
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	—	—	—	—	Quick despatch:
HAIRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	—	—	—	—	(On 22nd Inst.)
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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRIUS"	On 2nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 9th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 16th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 23rd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 13th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	On 14th December.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 20th December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS"	On 2nd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 16th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 13th February.
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TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"NINGCHOW" ...	On 24th January.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HONGKONG, 15th December, 1905.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS	(9:30)

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING" ...
SHANGHAI	"KWANGSHI" ...
MANILA	"TEAN" ...
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHINGTU" ...
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DAEWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA" ...

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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Capt. Bremmer	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	Freight.
AMERICA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 10th Jan. Freight.
Capt. Wimmenberg	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	Freight.
BRISGAVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 24th Jan. Freight.
Capt. Ersz	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	Freight.
* RHENANIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 7th Feb. Freight & Passengers.
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PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Purtington	to follow.
SHAWMUT	3,606	E. V. Roberts	Wednesday, January 24th

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSUI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU" H. OHTA	SUNDAY, 17th Dec., at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIGE MAEU" S. TAGAMI	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
	THE CHARTERED S.S. "DECIMA" Schlaikier	SUNDAY, 17th Dec., at 10 A.M.
FOOCHOW (DIRECT)	"TEUMPH" A. HANSEN	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
+ SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW	"FRITHJOF" H. A. HARALDSEN	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR ON OR ABOUT
TJILATJAP.	JAPAN	First half of December	JAVA PORTS
TJIPANAS...	JAVA	First half of December	JAPAN via SHANGHAI
TJIMAH...	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA PORTS
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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS	COASTS
ABAGONIA	German str., 5,423, John Ernst
	13th Dec.—Moji 8th Dec., Flora—P. & A. S. Co.
BANGKOK	German str., 1,297, E. Klimmt
	5th Dec.—Bangkok 22nd Nov., Rica—
BROMHOLM	Dutch str., 817, C. E. Birkhead
	27th Nov.—Manila 24th Nov., Ballast—Saunders, Weller & Co.
CHOYNGAO	British str., 1,421, S. L. Hussey
	9th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Nov., Swan & General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CLARA JENSEN	German steamer, 1,103, Jacob Bendixen, 6th Dec.—Cobomb—Chefoo 27th Nov., General—Johnson & Co.
CRANLEY	British str., 2,363, W. E. Sted, 20th Nov.—Kuchingtu 16th Nov., None—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.
DAVID SASOON & CO., LTD.	Agenors
	Hongkong, 13th December, 1905, 2:00
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	
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MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PEB	DATe
Amoy and Manila		Friday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Bangkok		Friday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Sratow		Friday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Kwong Chow Wan		Friday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar		Friday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Bangkok		
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents)		
Macao		
Shantung		
Bangkok		
Hainan		
EUROPE & C. INDIA VIA TUTICCOMIN (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		
The Parcel mail will be closed to-morrow at 5 p.m.		
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		
Macao		
Shantung		
Shanghai		
Manila		
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok		
Singapore and Rangoon		
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		
Foochow		
Swatow and Bangkok		
Macao		
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe		
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle		
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland		
Macao		
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		

TO-DAY.

Sale, Miscellaneous, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Iough, 11 a.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ordinary Meeting of the China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., noon.

Performance of "The Shaughraun" by the Victoria Amateur Dramatic Club, St. Patrick's Club Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 2/0 Bank Bills, on demand 2/11 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/0 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/1 Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/1 Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/1

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 258 Credits, at 4 months' sight 262

ON GERMANY.— On demand 209

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 50 Credits, 60 days' sight 50

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 1534 Bank, on demand 1534

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 1531 Bank, on demand 1531

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 718 Private, 30 days' sight 724

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 993

ON MANILA.— On demand—Peso—100

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand 63 p.c.p.m.

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 123

ON HAIKONG.— On demand 14 p.m.p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 1 p.m.p.m.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 601

GOVERNMENT, Bank's Buying Rate 9.70

COLD LEAD, 100 fine, per ton 51.60

BAR SILVER, per oz 30/

OPIUM.

14th December, Quotations are— Allowee net to 1 catty.

Malwa New \$1030 to — per picul.

Malwa Old \$1060 to — "

Malwa Older \$1110 to — "

Malwa V. Old \$1180 to — "

Perman fine quality \$1150 to — "

Perman extra fine \$1090 to — per chest.

Patna New \$1090 to — "

Patna Old \$1055 to — "

Banaras New \$945 to — "

Banaras Old \$920 to — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. str. Delta left Singapore for this port on the 10th Dec. at 1 a.m., and is due here to-day about noon.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The L.G.M. str. Gneisenau left Colombo on Friday, p.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 20th Dec.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. Mongolia sailed from Yokohama on the 8th Dec., and is due here on the 19th Dec.

The P.M. str. China will leave Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 15th Dec., and is due here on the 27th Dec.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of China arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on Thursday, the 13th Dec., and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 2 a.m. to-morrow.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The P. & A. str. Nicobar left Astoria on the 14th Nov., and is due here to-day.

The N.Y.K. chartered str. Glenlee left Bombay for this port on the 26th Nov., and is due here to-day.

The P. & O. str. Malacca left Singapore for this port on the 11th Dec. at noon.

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Tiyaljap		Friday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Paklat		Friday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Docks and Wharves		
Farnham, B. & Co.		Tue. 16th
H. & K. Wharf & G.		\$100, sellers
H. & W. Dock		\$100
New Amy Dock		\$100
Shan & H. Wharf		\$100
Fenwick & Co., Geo.		\$100
G. Island Cement		\$100
Hongkong & C. Gas.		\$100
Hongkong Electric		\$100
Do. New...		\$100
H. H. L. Trust		\$100
Hongkong Hotel Co.		\$100
Hongkong Ice Co.		\$100
Hongkong Kops Co.		\$100
Hongkong Waterboat		\$100
Insurance		
Canton		\$100, sellers
China Fire		\$100, sellers
China Traders		\$100, sellers
Hongkong Fire		\$100, sellers
North China Union		\$100, sellers
Yangtze		\$100
Land and Building		
Hongkong Land Inv.		\$100
Humphrey's Estate		\$100
Looneys		\$100
Kowloon Land & B.		\$100
Shanghai Land		\$100
Westpoint Building		\$100
Mining		
Charbonnages		\$100
Rauws		\$100
Philippine Co.		\$100
Refineries		
China Sugar		\$100
Luzon Sugar		\$100
Steamship Companies		
China and Manilla		\$100, sellers
Douglas Steamship		\$100, buyers
H. & Canton & M.		\$100
Indo-China S.N. Co.		\$100
South Transport Co.		\$100
Do. Preference		\$100
Do. Ferry		\$100
Do. New...		\$100
Shanghai & H. Dyeing		\$100
South China M. Port		\$100
South China Laundry Co.		\$100
Do. Founders		\$100
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.		\$100
Powell & Co., Wm.		\$100
Watkins		\$100
Watson & Co., A. S.		\$100
United Asbestos		\$100
Do. Founders		\$100
VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers		

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 14th December.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamship

MONTRÉOSE.

Captain Robt. Glegg, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th inst. at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.